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HONGKONG, APRIL 14th, 1905.

The absence of news of any naval fighting in the south seems to support the view that the Japanese prefer that the inevitable fight shall take place as near their home waters as may be. We have been publishing such local gossip as had intrinsic interest, if no weight of authority; and naval men have communicated some views which may or may not have been inspired by experience; but we fear that the first information that comes "on high authority" will be a curt announcement that a collision has taken place, with such and such results. All else is futile. For instance, there was a general impression that having left Singapore, the next port of call for Admiral Rozhdestvensky would be, as a matter of course, the French port of Saigon. One seafaring man, in support of this, treated one of our reporters to a pretty little lecture on the possibilities of the fresh water in the river there "killing the barnacles" which at present are compelling a snail's pace grateful to the supposed feelings of the officers of the coming Armada. The general expectation of a Saigon visit doubtless was based on the assumption that the Russian ships would there find a temporary sanctuary. This view is, of course, quite erroneous. However leniently the French might wish to interpret the laws of neutrality, they could only harbour the squadron of their Ally at their own risk and peril. The very act of sailing so far as Saigon, during the state of belligerency, is in itself an attack directed against Japan; and even in Saigon, after an invitation to come out, Admiral Togo might be justified in arguing, as Lord

Nelson did, that it is permissible to attack the enemy in any place from which they may make an attack. Since Nossi Bé was not the end of its voyage, the Russian squadron may be said to have continued an attack thence; and the same argument would apply to Saigon. But, as we have said, it is not to Japan's interest to do so, if (as they naturally suppose) the Russians intend to sail yet further north. If it had been their policy to seize the first opportunity of attacking, it is obvious that the gallant Togo should have hastened to Madagascar, and there accomplished his task before the Armada was augmented. Against that there was the risk of passing his enemy on the way. The narrow strip of ocean that can be watched by even a large fleet with fast cruisers, moving towards a fixed objective, is after all a mere thread in the wide fabric of water to be crossed; and the tables might have been turned indeed if the Russian ships had managed to slip past. When we remember the interval between Togo's departure and his arrival at Singapore, during which he was lost so far as the uninformed world was concerned, the speculation arises whether by any chance his naval scouts have failed to get into touch with him. The long line of Russian ships could not escape the notice of all these watchful cruisers. Is it possible that they have even met and sunk some of them? This, in spite of rumour, is unlikely, because the scouting cruisers' duty was not to fight; and if there had been any collision it could not have been concealed so long. The *Times of India*, as will be noticed by the extract reproduced elsewhere, does not believe that the Japanese ships reported at Singapore were part of Togo's own fleet; and at best the statement that they were was only a rumour. It is characteristic of their whole advance that some of the Russian ships should have digressed so far as the island of Banca, off Sumatra; and it may very likely be that Admiral Rozhdestvensky is alive to the advantage of inducing Togo, by making him impatient, to deliver an attack so far from Japanese war harbours. That is, it would not be so much an advantage to the Russians as it would be putting the two fleets nearer to a level of disadvantage. If this surmise be warranted, there results a period of naval duelling by manoeuvres, a war of waiting, which will prevent us from hearing for some time the exciting news we are all agog for. The movements of British ships locally have something to do with the trend of events; but are not so intimately related as some seem to suppose. We presume that it will be the duty of some of them to watch the points where our Eastern cables land, in view of the obvious "temptation" that exists for the Russians to tamper with them for strategic reasons. Russians are now sufficiently inured to half apologies and commissions of enquiry to disregard niceties of conduct in such matters.

[The foregoing comments were written before the Commodore's news was received. Travelling north easterly from a point to the S.W. of Cape Onglok, the Armada has all the appearance of making for Saigon].

The English Mail of the 11th March was delivered in London on the 10th inst.

The Portuguese cruiser *Adamaster* left for Macao yesterday. The officers are keenly interested in the arrival of the Baltic Fleet.

The British steamer *Eusby Abbey* was insured in London for £12,132 (hull, £23,160, and cargo and freight, £18,972) and the Swedish steamer *Vegga* for £37,300 (hull, £17,000, and cargo and freight, £20,300).

Chung Yen-mao, who has just had such excellent opportunities for studying the administration of British law, visited the House where they make it; and was accommodated with a seat in the Distinguished Strangers' Gallery.

H. M. Connel at Panama (Mr. C. Mallet) has notified the Board of Trade Journal that the steamer service between Callao and Hongkong, with Panama and Yokohama as intermediate ports, has been suspended. The service was started as an experiment in the beginning of 1904.

In order to extend trade with foreign countries a competitive exhibition of ginger, snake-gourd, red pepper, pecan-nuts and many other articles, will be held from the 1st of April to the 15th of same month at Hamamatsu, Shizuoka prefecture, Japan. Notice has been given to every prefecture, Hokkaido and Formosa, to exhibit.

Discussing Lord Cawdor's succession to Lord Selborne as First Navy Lord, the *Times* says:—"Though new to office, Lord Cawdor brings to the Admiralty a reputation for sterling business capacity and untiring energy, qualities which he has exhibited in a conspicuous degree during his ten years of office as chairman of the Great Western Railway, which during that period has shown itself to be among the most progressive of our great railway systems."

Canton River steamers have of late been considerably delayed by fog.

The s.s. *Loosok*, while off Swatow on Monday saw two Japanese cruisers steaming southwards at full speed.

On Wednesday night an electric tram-car ran off the rails opposite the Harbour Office. No one was hurt.

The *Tacoma Ledger* says that the s.s. *Gaelic* is reported to be for sale at the price of \$240,000. The liner originally cost \$550,000.

The German mail *Preussen* arrived from Singapore yesterday afternoon. She was delayed about thirty hours by fog.

Capt. C. McNamara, Royal Irish Rifles, has been specially selected for service with the Chinese Regiment at Wei-hai-wei.

H. B. Collins, the Port Arthur and Yokohama spy, is now engaged preparing "chip braid" for export in the Tokyo prison.

The half-yearly general meeting and an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong Jockey Club will be held at the City Hall on April 20th.

It is reported that certain vessels with "order" coal cargoes are postponing their departure from Hongkong to Japan on account of the Baltic Fleet.

The auction of Mr. A. Levy's very fine collection of curios and antiquities takes place at No. 53, Wyndham Street, this afternoon, Mr. Lommert being the auctioneer.

The Bible Society reports remarkable sales of the Scriptures in China last year, where the total number of copies circulated was 1,086,670 copies.

To-morrow evening Mr. N. Mamford, President of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders of Hongkong, is to be entertained at a farewell smoking concert at which he will be presented with an illuminated address.

An enquiry will be held at the Harbour Office on Monday into the circumstances connected with the sinking of the launch *Tong On* by the launch *Living Star*, off Green Island during fog on the morning of the 12th inst.

Carl Joubert, in his book, "The Truth about the Tarr," tells us that in the fleet of Admiral Rozhdestvensky half of the men of the crews are revolutionaries who will give a good account of themselves, though it is probable that Nicholas Alexandrovich will feel no pride in their achievements.

Ng Ng Mui, a Chinese woman, was tried for larceny by the Second Police Magistrate yesterday afternoon, and discharged. The Senior Police Magistrate had made her bail \$5,000 after he discharged the original defendant, Wong Cheong Mui, in a cross-action for larceny. Ng Ng Mui was the original complainant.

The Grand Lodge of England, at its recent meeting, approved of the proposal to appoint J. Lyons and Co. (Limited) as lessees of the Freemasons' Tavern, upon the reconstruction and redecoration of which it is the intention of the Grand Lodge to expend some £30,000. The present lease of the Freemasons' Tavern expires at Michaelmas.

It is officially reported that since the commencement of hostilities thirty two steamers of over one thousand tons each have been captured by the Japanese navy. The above number includes the *Suyari* taken at Chemulpo. The total tonnage of the steamers is about 100,040 tons. On the other hand the number of the Japanese steamers of over 1,000 tons each sunk by the Russians reach four, representing a total of 14,000 tons. This leaves 86,040 tons in favour of Japan.

The Shanghai *Mercury* says that as a native was gaily peddling a gaily looking bicycle along the Bund the front forks of his machine snapped off close to the socket, with the result that the rider took a header in the road which had just been newly sprinkled by a Municipal water cart. The unfortunate quickly picked himself up and with a sad look at his mangled garments he gathered up the remains of his machine and made for the nearest repair shop muttering unutterable things about cheap but gaudy bicycles that collapse when least expected.

Mr. Berrington, director of the traffic branch of Indian telegraphs, has proceeded to Shanghai to assist in negotiations for the removal of the Anglo-Chinese Telegraph Convention of 1894, the Chinese Government having notified under the terms of agreement a desire for the modification of certain clauses. The better maintenance of the line on the Chinese side of the Bay of Yunnan frontier and a reduction of rates are understood to be the chief points to be urged and discussed with the Chinese representatives. The line in Yunnan beyond the Bhamo border is reported to be in a deplorable state of disrepair.

A Chinaman named Liking, an employee of the British steamer *Australian*, which arrived at Yokohama on March 27th, and two Japanese merchants, T. Takatsuki and S. Kinoshita, were arrested on March 29th by the Harbour Police on a charge of having attempted to smuggle 54 cases of cigars and nine tin cases of cigarettes, valued at about yen 500. On the previous night they brought the tobacco by boat from the steamer to Hirayama canal and they were landing it near a bridge at Sakagawa-machi when a policeman approached them to make an investigation and they escaped, for the time, leaving the goods there.

The fourth Hongkong Volunteer competition for the Smyth Cup will take place at Tai Haang range on Sunday.

The following is an extract from a private letter received yesterday from Japan: "Letters from Hongkong which I have been anxiously awaiting arrived last night. They were stamped 16th March in Hongkong and 30th March Nagasaki. Your Post Office certainly requires waking up. Your letter of 15th March was here (north-west coast) on the 26th.

Vladivostok was to have been free from ice about the 4th or 5th of this month. We should then, says the *Japan Mail*, have some practical proof as to the condition of the *Rosia* and the *Gronobol*, and as to the fate of the *Boyalgi*. The two first might make their fighting qualities inconveniently felt if their commanders were inspired with a spirit of daring. Will they wait tamely on the chance of the Baltic Squadron reaching Vladivostok, or will they, in the meanwhile, resume their old métier of commerce-destroyers?

By kind permission of Major Radcliffe and officers, the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music, at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, this (Friday) evening:—

March—"The Stars and Stripes for ever" Souza
Song—"The Wanderer" Schubert
Selection—"The Belle of New York" Kirk
Valse—"The Blue Danube" Strauss
Selection—"Leslie Stuart's Song" Alton
Lancers—"Her Majesty's" Solomon
Cake Walk—"Jolly Negroes" Berger
Menu—"Hors D'Œuvres—Caviare in Egg, Soup—Ox Tail Soup, Julienne Soup, Fish—Boiled Fish and Shrimp Sauce. Entrees—Roast Quail on Toast, Matton Cutlet and Mayonnaise, Boiled Turkey, Cold York Ham, Curry—Curry Liver, Salad—Celery Salad, Vegetables—Boiled Potatoes, Chipped Potatoes, Stewed Tomatoes, White Beans. Sweets—Victoria Pudding, Cream Puff, Banana Ice Cream, Finger Cakes. Fruits in Season. Tea and Coffee.

Reporting a native murder, the *Times of Ceylon* says:—"It appears that, in accordance with a common village custom, whereby a man engages himself to the head of a family to render services free of payment to the latter on the understanding that on the latter's daughter coming of age he is to be received as her acknowledged fiancé, and, in course of time, to be wedded to her, an old woman had permitted a man to dwell in her house. However, it seems that a more suitable offer was made for the hand of the girl, whereupon the mother attempted to throw the former lover over, the daughter apparently consenting to this new arrangement. The rejected suitor, it is alleged, entered the house and seizing the girl by the waist, stabbed her to death. No less than fourteen knife wounds were inflicted. The man is alleged to have next seized the girl's mother, and also stabbed her to death.

THE MARINE INSURANCE MARKET.

The *Times* correspondent writing on March 7th says:—"War risk insurances on the hulls and cargoes of the *Edinburgh*, *Greenland*, and *Norge*, from Australia for Vladivostok, with grain, have been cancelled at a total cost to underwriters on the three steamers of £180,000. Three steamers from the Pacific Coast for Vladivostok with food stuffs were cancelled recently at a cost of £165,000, and if to these we add the *Abercrombie*, also cancelled, underwriters will have to pay on the seven steamers no less than £385,000. There are other minor cancellings which I have not yet included. The figures given above, on the assumption that the 16 Vladivostok captures in which this market is interested prove a total loss on appeal, raise the ascertained losses on the Vladivostok war risks to £1,369,000.

It is understood that though the war risk insurances on these provision steamers for Vladivostok are cancelled, or in process of cancellation, yet some at least of them will endeavour to carry their cargoes to Vladivostok. The *Tea* is stated to insist on the continuance of their voyages, no doubt for the reason that the cargoes are urgently required by the Russian forces.

The Premier Company's big diamond, which is insured here for £500,000, did not arrive in the steamer *Briton* as was expected. It has not yet left South Africa.

THE JAPANESE VOLUNTEER FLEET.

The amount of subscription towards the constitution of a volunteer fleet, as proposed by the Imperial Marine Association, now approaches 11 million yen and the execution of the proposal will shortly be commenced. The shipbuilding committee, at a recent meeting, decided to build several vessels of about 12,000 tons and over 21 knots speed each, cancelling the former proposal to construct ships of about 7,000 tons. The cost of construction of one ship is roughly estimated at four million yen. In view of the present situation, the association intends an early collection of subscriptions a portion even by May or June next in order to purchase two of the aforesaid vessels, meanwhile the ladies department of the organization has also the intention of constructing or buying a similar ship which will be named with reference to woman—Yokohama (Japanese) Chamber of Commerce Report.

PERSIAN GULF NEWS.

A BALISTIC FLEET REMOVED.

The *Times of India* on March 13th says:—"A rumour has been recently current that a portion of the Russian Baltic Fleet, possibly a supplementary division, now on its way to tropical waters, has gone to the Persian Gulf. So far as we are able to ascertain at present the rumour is without foundation. H.M.S. *Redbreast* and H.M.S. *Sphinx* are at present in the Gulf and H.M.S. *Fox* arrived from Persian waters on Saturday morning. The *Lapwing* and *Proserpine* are also in Bombay harbour and the Flagship *Hyacinth* came out of dock into the stream on Saturday.

It appears that there has been recently some trouble at Bahrain. Two Germans were in some way molested there and it is said that H.M.S. *Sphinx* landed a party and carried off some horses which were sold at Basra, the proceeds being handed to the Germans as compensation. A prominent relative of the sheik of Bahrain is also said to have been deported. We are unable to verify these facts at present.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

GERMANY AND MOROCCO.

LONDON, 13th April.

A report that the German Commission to Morocco had arranged a commercial treaty with the Sultan is confirmed.

NINETEEN THOUSAND DEATHS.

LONDON, 13th April.

The death-roll in connection with the great earthquake in India has attained an abnormal dimension. The Viceroy estimates the number of persons who lost their lives at nineteen thousand.

["REUTERS' SERVICE."]

FRANCE AND GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, 11th April.

The Paris Municipal Council have sent condolences to the King on the recent earthquake in India.

THE REDUCTION OF TEA DUTY.

LONDON, 11th April.

The Tea resolution has been adopted.

THE WAR.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

THE BALTIC FLEET.

A LOITERING SECTION.

BATAVIA, 13th April.

The Russian battleship *Sissoi Veliki*, accompanied by some small cruisers and a few transports, has been at the Anambas Islands, on the east coast of the Malay Peninsula, since the 11th instant.

There is no news here of Admiral Rozhdestvensky's division of battleships; although there are plenty of baseless rumours.

ROZHDESTVENSKY APPROACHING.

THE ARMADA SIGHTED SOUTH OF SAIGON.

We learn that a telegram was received by the Naval Authorities yesterday, reporting that H.M.S. *Iphigenia*, which left here at 4 p.m. on Saturday for Singapore, passed the Russian Fleet, composed of forty-two ships, at 8 a.m. on Tuesday. They were then steaming in a north easterly direction from a point to the south east of Cape Onglok, the most southerly point of Cochin-China. On another map, the same point appears to be called Cape Canao. The Russian ships could there be bound for Saigon, or, which is just as likely, following the coast line with the idea of running into one of the South China ports if attacked by superior force. The Russian naval men seem to prefer internment to total destruction; and to act as if they counted on defeat.

["REUTERS' SERVICE."]

THE BALTIC FLEET.

LONDON, 11th April.

A portion of the Baltic fleet, presumably with Admiral Rozhdestvensky, with most of the battleships, is at Muntok in the island of Banca, off Sumatra.

[Muntok is a seaport town on the north-west of Banca Island. Banca Island is in the Dutch East Indies, situated between 1.30 S. and 3.5 S. and 105.10 E. and 106.53 E. on the east of Sumatra, from which it is separated by the Strait of Banca.—The presumption as to Rozhdestvensky, it will now be observed, was erroneous.]

BELLIGERENTS WARNED OFF.

LONDON, 11th April.

The cruiser *Raleigh* with destroyers has been sent to Palawan to assure neutrality. Neither of the Belligerents will be allowed to use the Philippines as a convenience for operations.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Shell Line str. *Pinar*, from Middlebrook and London, left Singapore on the 12th inst., and is expected here on Wednesday, the 19th inst.

The Bucknall Line str. *Barotse* left Shanghai for this port on the 12th inst. and is due here on the 15th inst.

SUPREME COURT.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

Wednesday, 12th April.

BEFORE SIR H. S. BRANLEY (CHIEF JUSTICE).

RE THE WEI YUEN CO. EX PARTE THE DEBTOR. Mr. Dixon (of Mr. John Hastings' office), said that at a meeting of creditors it was resolved that the firm be made bankrupt. He petitioned for this on behalf of the debtors.

Kwok Kwai Pok, was then examined by the Official Receiver (Mr. Wakeman)—I carry on business at No. 114, Des Voeux Road, under the style of the Wei Yuen. My partner is So Wai Chin. The business is coal and ship-ownership. We commenced in July or August 1903 with a capital of \$15,000. I subscribed \$1,000 and So Wai Chin \$14,000. I am the managing partner. Our dealings were chiefly with the office of reorganization at Canton and with the railway. We dealt largely in coal. We also bought a business called the Cheap Jack, on the 6th January 1905. I bought it from Leung Ho Tin for \$18,000. It is run in connection with the Wei Yuen. I have not paid the \$18,000, but \$9,750. Since the beginning of January, 1905, we have bought great quantities of coal in connection with the Wei Yuen, and 300 tons for the Cheap Jack business. The Cheap Jack has separate books. At Canton, So Wai Chin collected \$60,000 mentioned in my affidavit. The money was handed to him at the office of the reorganization. It has never been brought down from Canton. The Wei Yuen have an office at Canton, in which I am a partner. The \$60,000 has been used in Canton to pay accounts. Lo Sam Chuan managed the Canton business, which now belongs to the creditors. I have a steam launch called the *Comptroller*. I bought it in Hongkong about July to October 1904 for \$3,800. It is used for going off to vessels to get business. I have never sold the launch. I signed a paper stating that I had sold the launch to Mr. E. H. Murray for \$5,000. I signed it because he said someone wanted to seize the launch and he would protect me. It was not done with a view to defraud my creditors. I signed it on the 27th January 1905. Mr. Murray said "Hand the launch over to me. I can preserve it." I have had business with Mr. Murray. He knew I was in difficulties. What he did was to help me with this launch in case it would be seized. Mr. Murray read the document to me. It states that I have received \$5,000 for the launch. This is not true.

By the Court—Mr. Murray paid no money or other consideration. The transaction was a bogus one.

So Wai Chin was examined. He said he had not taken an active part in the business. He had no property. He never collected \$60,000 at Canton. He did not know whether the accountant collected it. The \$60,000 ran over the whole year. He had no property in Canton, but had a house in the country worth \$300. This had been attached by Messrs. Melchers and Company. He was security, they seized the house. In his statement of affairs he was security for \$100,000. The E. Shum firm, dealing with Bombay, where he was employed required this security. He was assistant manager there. If he was called upon to pay \$100,000 he could not pay it.

His Lordship—Who is Mr. Murray.

Mr. P. W. Goldring—I appear for him. He is an American doing business here.

His Lordship—He will have to take proceedings against the Official Receiver for the launch or it will be sold.

Mr. Goldring—I shall see to that, My Lord. His Lordship—Both of these men's certificates should be suspended for at least two years.

To the partners—Be careful and try and recollect what you have done with the \$50,000, because we might put the matter in the hands of the police, and you would be dealt criminally with.

Both men had better be put in custody till the further examination, three weeks hence. It is a debtors petition. The Official Receiver had better pay the costs, and we will rescind the whole proceedings, and let the creditors take action.

Again addressing the debtors—I think there are grounds for believing you are concealing the \$60,000, so I am going to direct that you be kept in custody until the further order of the Court.

Mr. Dixon—I am here to apply for the discharge of the first partner who has been in custody in consequence of proceedings against him.

His Lordship—There is this mysterious disappearance of \$60,000. You can make an application to me in chambers, but must give satisfactory information of the \$60,000.

His Lordship further impressed upon the debtors that bankruptcy proceedings were to protect honest debtors and not fraudulent ones. He said—You cannot spend away \$60,000 in this manner, though it would be worth staying in prison even a couple of years to secure that amount (laughter). But you cannot do that with impunity. You must give satisfactory information.

LAI MI EX PARTE THE DEBTOR.

This was a public examination of a furniture dealer lately carrying on business at 125, Connaught Road Central. He had loaned \$8,500 mortgage on a house in Jervois Street, and if he could realise this amount it would pay off all his debts.

The man was declared bankrupt, the Official Receiver being appointed trustee.

RE THE YEUNG HING BANK EX PARTE HAI YAK CHUEN.

Mr. H. W. Locker (of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon) asked that Chan Chan Ting be examined. The Yeung Hing Bank had failed for \$160,000, and it was thought

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE

THE Undersigned beg to notify that only Mr. A. K. ARCULLI is entitled to Sign the Firm's name.

ARCULLI, CRUZ & CO.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1905. [987]

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

LOST

THE CERTIFICATES of 30 and 2 SHARES standing in the Register of this Company in the names of WONG LAM and APCAR (GABRIEL) APCAR respectively having been LOST, viz:—

Scrip No. 811—13399/13413—15 Shares.
" 238—28336/28352—15 " "
" 673—12262/12283—2 " "
32 Shares.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Duplicate Certificates for the said 32 Shares will be issued one month hence, and that the Original Certificates unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1905. [988]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

LOST

THE CERTIFICATES of 71 SHARES standing in the Register of this Company in the name of ST TAY have been LOST, viz:—

Scrip No. 16—351/390—40 Shares.
" 215—941/950—10 " "
" 216—3902/3922—21 " "
71 Shares.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1905. [989]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM BONUS of Twenty per cent. upon contributions for the year 1904 has been declared.

Warrants will be issued on the 3rd May. By Order of the Board.

C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1905. [990]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Members of the above Club will be held in the CITY HALL, on SATURDAY, the 29th April, 1905, at 3 P.M.

A Notice will be sent to Members embodying the Special Resolutions to be submitted at this Meeting.

By Order, T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1905. [991]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE

THE HALF-YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held in the CITY HALL, on SATURDAY, the 29th April, 1905, at 3.30 P.M.

By Order, T. F. HOUGH,
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Hongkong, 14th April, 1905. [992]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. GEO. P. LAMBERT has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction

WEDNESDAY, the 26th day of APRIL, 1905, at 3 P.M., at his Sales Rooms,
The following VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, viz:—

All that Piece or Parcel of Ground situate at Victoria aforesaid registered in the Land Office as INLAND LOT No. 1,688. Area 628 square feet. Term 75 years. Annual Crown Rent \$11.00 together with the Messuage thereon known as No. 8, Po Hing Fong.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Solicitors for the Mortgagees,
GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1905. [993]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship
"HAITAN,"
Captain Roach, will be despatched for the above port on SUNDAY, the 16th inst., at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARBAIK & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1905. [994]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"CATHERINE APCAR,"
Captain A. Stewart, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 18th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1905. [995]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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S.S. "PRINZ SIGISMUND" About 5th May.
FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KÖBE AND YOKOHAMA.
S.S. "ROON" About 26th April.
S.S. "BAVERN" About 10th May.

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For Further Particulars apply to
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1905. [996]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FROM ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO', LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship
"GLENLOCHY,"
having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 20th inst., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which no claims will be recognized.

McGREGOR BROS. & GOW.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1905. [996]

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "TREMONT,"
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KÖBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1905. [997]

NORDDEUTSCHER LOYD, BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship
"PREUSSEN,"
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Tobacco and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 P.M., To-day, the 13th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Thursday, the 20th inst., at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 25th inst., or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1905. [998]

LOST.

A GREEN PARROT, South side of Peak. If found kindly inform Miss DIXON, No. 82, The Peak. Finder will be well rewarded.

Hongkong, 11th April, 1905. [998]

WANTED.

TWO Gentlemen require BOARD and RESIDENCE in Private Family.

Apply to—
P. S.
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1905. [999]

WANTED.

AN EXPERT TYPEWRITER, Good Salary, to a Quick Worker.

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Hongkong, 1st April, 1905. [999]

QUARTERS WANTED.

IN Family, for Young Gentlemen arriving about April.

Apply to—
BOX 530.
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1905. [999]

OFFICE WANTED.

WANTED from July, FOUR ROOMS, suitable for Office, in Central District. Apply, by letter, to—
BOX 529.
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1905. [999]

WHY SHOULD BUSY MEN USE THE "ROYAL BAR LOCK"?

IT is not because it makes writing easy—though that would be sufficient reason. It is not because it writes in sight—though that is important. It is not because it is the most durable—though that is its strongest point. It is not because it is unapproached for Carbon and Stencil manifolding—though that describes its capabilities. It is not because its daily output is 25 per cent. in excess of any other typewriter—though that is perfectly true. It is not for any one or two of the foregoing reasons—BUT BECAUSE IT HAS ALL THESE ADVANTAGES COMBINED.

J. C. DOS REBEDIOS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th April, 1905. [999]

INTIMATIONS

CLUB GERMANIA, HONGKONG.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Club Germania will be held in the CLUB HOUSE, on TUESDAY, the 18th April, 1905, at 5.30 P.M.

By Order, G. FRIESLAND,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1905. [999]

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG SCHOOLS' SPORTS will be held at the RACE COURSE HAPPY VALLEY, on MONDAY, April 17th. Teams to be Run OFF TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), April 15th.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1905. [997]

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE NINETEENTH YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Hongkong Club will be held in the Club House, on THURSDAY, the 20th April, 1905, at 5 P.M.

By Order, C. H. GRACE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1905. [999]

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG LICENSED PILOTS ASSOCIATION have this Day REMOVED their OFFICE to FIRST FLOOR of Nos. 15, 16 and 17, CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1905. [999]

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

ONE SUMMER'S DAY

A COMEDY IN 3 ACTS,
BY H. V. ESMOND,
will be repeated
TO-MORROW (SATURDAY),
15th APRIL, 1905.

PRICES—... \$3, \$2 & \$1.

Sailors and Soldiers in uniform Half-Price to Pit Stalls and Pits.

Booking Office at ROBINSON PIANO COMPANY.

ARTHUR CHAPMAN,
Business Manager.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1905. [999]

SANITARY BOARD OFFICE, Hongkong.

TO THE OWNERS OF DOMESTIC BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the Domestic Cleanliness and Ventilation By-laws (as amended) every domestic building or part of such building within the Central Division of the City of Victoria and the Western Division of Kowloon occupied by members of more than one family must be CLEANSED and LIMEWASHED THROUGHOUT by the owner during the months of March and April.

N.B.—The word "throughout" used in this notice means that the Houses should be lime-washed in respect of all the Walls of each room and Staircase, all Cattle partitions, Stair Casings and Stair Linings, all Ceilings and the undersides of Roofs both in main buildings, Offices and Servants' Quarters and inclusive of Verandahs.

The Backyard should have its containing walls lime-washed up to the level of the first floor.

Carved, painted or polished woodwork in good condition, however, need not be lime-washed but must be Cleaned.

The Central Division of the City lies between Gilman Street and Peel Street on the East and Tank Lane and Clarendon Street on the West. Kowloon is divided into the Eastern and the Western divisions by Robinson Road a straight line drawn from the north end thereof through the Yammuti service reservoir to the northern boundary of Kowloon.

Dated this 31st day of March, 1905.

G. N. ORME,
Secretary.
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PROPOSALS FOR FRESH VEGETABLES.

HEADQUARTERS, Philippines Division
Office of the Chief Commissary,
Manila, P.I.,
February 1, 1905.

SEALED PROPOSALS, in triplicate, will be received at this office until 11 o'clock A.M., MONDAY, May 1, 1905, at which place and time they will be opened in the presence of the attending bidders, for the furnishing and delivery of Fresh Vegetables to the Subsistence Department at Manila, P.I., during the year ending June 30.

Approx. 600,000 pounds of Potatoes and 120,000 pounds of Onions per month will be required. The accepted vegetables will be admitted free of custom's duties. The United States reserves the right to decrease the amount called for in the contract by not to exceed 40 per cent. upon reasonable notice to the contractor, or to increase the amount called for, with the consent of the contractor. Each proposal must be accompanied by a Bidder's Guarantee in the amount of \$20,000 or by certified check for that amount on a bank of approved standing in Manila. The bidder to whom the contract is awarded will be required to give bond, the penalty of which will be fixed by the Chief Commissary. Information furnished on application. Blank proposals and circular of instructions to bidders can be obtained from Chief Commissary, Department of Columbia, Vancouver Barracks, Washington; the Purchasing Commissary, U.S. Army, No. 103, Market Street, San Francisco, California, and from this office. Envelopes containing proposals should be marked: "Proposals for Fresh Vegetables for F. Y. 1905, to be opened May 1, 1905," and addressed to the undersigned.

A. L. SMITH, Lt. Col. D.C.G., U.S. Army,
Chief Commissary.
Manila, P.I., 10th February, 1905. [999]

AUTOMATIC MAUSER PISTOLS.

CALIBRE 7.65 mm.
With CHAMBER for 10 CARTRIDGES
FIRING 10 SHOTS in 2 SECONDS.

SIEMSEN & CO.,
Hongkong, 3rd October, 1900. [999]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from NEWMAN HUNFORD, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction.

TO-DAY (FRIDAY),
the 14th April, 1905, at 2 P.M., within his residence, STOKES BUILDING EAST, THE PEAK, THE WHOLE OF HIS

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
Comprising:—

TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, TEAKWOOD HATSTANDS with GLASS, SINGLE IRON BEDSTEADS with WIRE and HAIR MATTRESSES, TEAKWOOD WARDROBE with GLASS, TAPESTRY COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUIT, PICTURES, MARBLE TOP WASHSTANDS, COOKING STOVE and UTENSILS, &c., &c., &c.

Also
One COTTAGE PIANO by Chapell & Co., London, (in Good Order and Condition). Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1905. [944]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from A. LEVY, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction,

TO-DAY (FRIDAY),
the 14th April, 1905, commencing at 2.30 P.M., at his Residence 33, WYNDHAM STREET, HIS VERY FINE COLLECTION OF CURIOS AND ANTIQUITIES,

Comprising:—
RARE SPECIMENS OF LACQUER WARE, SATSUMA, BRONZES, LARGE IVORY CARVINGS, SILVER CLOISONNE, JADE, &c., &c.

A FEW PIECES OF DIAMOND JEWELLERY AND UNSET PEARLS,
And
A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

1 COTTAGE PIANO (nearly new).
3 IRON SAEBS (English).
On View from Thursday, the 13th April, 1905. TERMS:—As Customer.

GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1905. [956]

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION.

BY Order of the Supreme Court of Hongkong, VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY, Situate at PARK VIEW, LITTLETON ROAD, Victoria, on

MONDAY,
the 1st May, 1905, at 3 P.M., at Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH'S SALES ROOMS, Des Vaux Road, Central.

All that Piece of Ground situate lying and being at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as the Eastern Portion of Lot No. 1316 containing by admeasurement 75,391 square feet together with the Messuages thereon known as Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6, Park View, Littleton Road, Victoria.

For further particulars, apply to Messrs. DENNIS & BOWLEY, Vendor's Solicitors, or to Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Dated the 10th day of April, 1905. [955]

ROBERT CRAWFORD'S

C. C. C. WHISKY.

Price ... \$10 Per Dozen.

Sole Agent:—
KWAN TYE,
110, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1905. [959]

SIEN TING.

SURGEON DENTIST,
No. 10, DAGUIAR STREET

TERMS VERY MODERATE.
Consultation Free.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1905.

INSURANCES

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1903, £16,898,650.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL... £3,000,000
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL... 2,750,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL... 687,500 0 0
II. FIVE FUNDS... 3,955,961 12 3

The Undersigned AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 18th June, 1904. [183]

THE UNION OF PARIS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept Risks against Fire at current rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [31]

AAOHEH AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LES-CHAPPELLES.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [181]

NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE.

M. E. J. MOSES has Authority to Sign our Firm from this date.

TOEG & READ.
Hongkong, 12th April, 1905. [976]

NOTICE.

THE Business of a Solicitor Proctor and Notary Public heretofore carried on by me at Nos. 39, 41 and 43, Des Vaux Road, under the name of GEO. K. HALL BRUTTON will as from this date be carried on under the name of BRUTTON, HETTY and GOLDBERG.

GEO. K. HALL BRUTTON.
Hongkong, 10th April, 1905. [939]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

HALL & HOLTZ, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of HALL & HOLTZ, LIMITED, will be held at No. 29, The Bund, Shanghai, on FRIDAY, the 14th day of April, 1905, at 4 o'clock in the Afternoon, to transact the Ordinary business of the Company.

The TRANSFER BOOKS and Register of Members of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th day of April to the 14th day of April, both days inclusive.

Notice also is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of HALL & HOLTZ, LIMITED, will be held at the same place on the same day at the close of the Ordinary General Meeting for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing a resolution authorising the Directors to raise or borrow any sum or sums of money not exceeding 50,000 Taels, over and above the 50,000 Mexican Dollars which the Directors have power to borrow without the sanction of a General Meeting, the object of such borrowing being to provide funds for the extension of the Company's buildings in Tientsin.

